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## CASTRO'S SCHEME FAILS

VENEZUELA'S PRESIDENT TRIES  
TO SETTLE WITH GERMANY.

But the Kaiser, having entered into  
an agreement with Britain, May  
Decline to Accept the Offer.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—President Castro, of  
Venezuela, handed, probably on Thursday  
last, to the German minister at Caracas,  
a written acceptance of part of Germany's  
claims. This government attributes Presi-

Castro's yielding to the fact that he  
has become aware that the United States  
would not interpose any obstacle to the  
forcible collection of the claim of Germany  
and Great Britain.

President Castro tried by every means  
to keep Great Britain and Germany apart  
in discussing the settlement, intimating  
or promising first one thing and then  
another, Germany, having entered into a  
general agreement with Great Britain to  
exact a settlement jointly, will not make  
a separate agreement. Consequently, the  
two powers may yet conclude it necessary  
to disregard President Castro's qualified  
offers and present an ultimatum to Ven-

ezuela.

The German cruisers Amazon, Albatross  
and Niobe continue fitting out at Kiel for  
prisoned absence. The view in naval  
quarters is that the cruisers will be sent  
to the West Indies irrespective of the  
Venezuelan affair, hence it is believed they  
will sail eventually, though the date is  
uncertain. It is understood the squadron  
will touch at the Azores and thence go to  
St. Thomas, where it will receive Com-

mander Scherer's instructions. This is the  
commodore's first command promising  
action beyond routine duty. He is  
reputed to be a cool, sensible man who will  
do nothing hastily.

Banker Seligman Rebuffed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Isaac M. Seligman, of New York, called at the State  
Department to broach his project for float-

ing a Venezuelan loan, having been re-

ferred to the department by the President,  
whom he saw in connection with the mat-

ter last Saturday and again yesterday.

Secretary Hay now is believed to be re-

luctant to support Seligman's mission to Wash-

ington. Mr. Seligman stated his propo-

sition to Dr. Hill, who was acting as sec-

retary. Neither of the parties to the con-

ference cared to make any statement as to  
what took place, but it is known that the  
State Department was not in favor of the  
loan. It is regarded at this time as  
especially desirable to avoid endangering  
the relations of the United States with  
newly with President Castro, who is  
every reason to believe, is about to do full  
justice to all American interests in Ven-

ezuela.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—In view of the appar-

ent misunderstanding that prevails in some  
quarters of the United States with regard  
to Banker Seligman's mission to Wash-

ington, it is stated here there is no desire  
on the part of the Venezuelan delegation  
that the United States should offer any  
guarantee whatsoever. No such suggestion  
had been made on its behalf nor is it an  
idea palatable to the interests which set  
the present movement on foot. There was  
no further mention in the matter which  
was stated in the previous dispatches from  
London, namely: To acquiesce in the Wash-

ington authorities of the suggested plan of  
settlement, so that in case any European  
power in the meantime took aggressive  
measures the State Department would be  
in possession of information regarding  
Venezuela's intentions.

Castro Confers with Bowen.

CARACAS, Dec. 1.—President Castro has  
twice sent for United States Minister Bow-

## BOTH CAME FROM CHINA

AMERICAN INDIAN AND THE ASIATIC  
ESKIMO ARE KIN.

They Are of Chinese Descent, Accord-

ing to Findings of the Jesup  
North Pacific Expedition.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—After spending two  
years in East Arctic Siberia, making a  
study of the strange tribes that inhabit  
that bleak shore, Professor Waldemar  
Jochelson has returned to New York and made  
a report to the American Museum of Nat-

ural History that is considered one of  
the most important ever filed with the  
department of anthropology of that or  
any similar institution.

Morris K. Jesup conceived the idea in  
1898 that the question could be settled  
whether the American Indian was of  
Asiatic origin or not—whether he came  
to this part of the hemisphere from  
across Bering straits, or landed on these  
shores from some other parts of the  
earth. He gave \$50,000 to the American  
Museum of Natural History for the study  
of the mysterious East Arctic Siberian  
tribes, with this point chiefly in view.

What was known as the Jesup North  
Pacific expedition was fitted out by the  
museum with the assistance of the Rus-

sian Imperial Academy of Sciences and  
the Russian Imperial Geographical Society.  
Professor Jochelson and Professor  
Waldemar Bogoras, both Russians, ac-

companied the expedition. They have  
back with them conclusive proof, so they  
assert, that the American Indian and the  
Asiatic Eskimo are close kin, and that  
both originally came from China. In this  
report is considered of greatest impor-

tance. The evidence that these con-

clusions are correct consists of 1,500 spec-

imens and exhibits taken from among the  
native tribes of the remote Siberian coast.  
Professors Jochelson and Bogoras have  
among their specimens a piece of Jap-

anese iron over two hundred years old,  
found in the far north land, and many  
weapons and legends which prove that the  
Arctic Siberian and the American Indian  
were one and the same centuries ago. All  
of this is taken to prove that the Amer-

ican Indian is of Chinese descent, and  
that the explorers call a "round Pacific  
race"—meaning that the inhabitants of  
China, Japan, Arctic Siberia and Alaska  
and South America were originally all one  
and the same race.

BETRAYED BY FIGURES.

They Were Written on a Package of  
Stamps That Was Stolen.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Three sets of figures  
written carefully in pencil on the paste-

board back of one of the packages of  
stamps, which were taken from Edward  
Fuller, who was arrested in Chicago on  
Nov. 22, have led to the identification of  
the stamps as those stolen from the post-

office at Ponca, O. T. The postoffice in  
that city was blown open on the morning  
of Nov. 15, the safe broken open, and its con-

tents, nearly \$1,500 worth of stamps  
were taken.

The figures discovered on the stolen  
package, which was taken from the Stamps  
of the Fullers and a facsimile was mailed  
to Chicago, where it was received by the  
Postmaster General, among other things  
where robberies had occurred recently. To  
day Inspector Stuart received the following  
letter from Postmaster Barnes, of Ponca  
city:

"Figures on cardboard and slip cups  
were found by my assistant. We all identify  
them. Hold the robbers and all their cash.  
I want it. You get return register back  
to-night. Full register."

"I am certain I have everything right,"  
said Inspector Stuart to-day, "though, of  
course, we do not know whether the  
Fullers committed the robbery or merely  
received the stolen stamps."

AN INDISCREET PRINCE.

His Letters to an Actress May Cost  
Him the Serbian Throne.

VIENNA, Dec. 1.—Some stolen love let-

ters may cost Prince Mirko, second son of  
the reigning Prince of Montenegro, his  
cherished ambition to ascend the Serbian  
throne, which in the event of King  
Alexander having no heir, he is a strong  
candidate. Prior to Prince Mirko's mar-

riage last July with Natalie Constantino-

vitch, daughter of the grand uncle of King  
Alexander, he had a love affair with a  
Serbian actress and wrote many letters  
containing criticisms on the policy of sev-

eral European states. The czar and Ger-

man Emperor were especially hard hit,  
while the Serbian people were delightedly  
and scornfully referred to.

After his marriage Prince Mirko sent a  
trusted agent to buy the letters from the  
actress. He readily sold them, but the  
agent, who is a native of Serbia, sold the  
letters to the Serbian government for a con-

siderable sum after having had printed  
copies made. In the event of the Monte-

## MORMONS OBEY LAW

JOSEPH SMITH SAYS PLURAL MAR-

RIAGES ARE NOT SANCTIONED.

Polygamy is Practiced Only by Those  
Who Have More Than One Wife  
When Ban Was Proclaimed.

POSITION OF REED SMOOT

WOULD BE SENATOR A MEMBER OF  
THE MORMON PRIESTHOOD.

He Is Engaged in Secular Pursuits,  
However, and Is Said to Be an  
Enterprising Citizen.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 1.—In an inter-

view to-day President Joseph Smith, of  
the Mormon Church, defined the present  
position of the church with respect to  
polygamy, also the ecclesiastical position  
of Apostle Reed Smoot, whose candidacy  
for the United States Senate has resulted in  
an active campaign against him by the  
ministerial alliance.

"The church does not desire to enter into  
controversy over this question," said Presi-

dent Smith, "but it is anxious that its  
own people, as well as the people of the  
country should understand its position."

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The woman known  
in Pittsburgh as Ruth Stern is May Ham-

mer, whose home was in this city. She is in

the custody of the police to-night an-

nounced that a warrant had been issued  
for Harry Singer, or Aaron, as he was  
sometimes known, for the murder of Mrs.  
Wilson. Singer is a Hebrew peddler, whose  
residence is within 200 feet of the house  
where the murder occurred. It is supposed  
he fled from the house to his home, changed  
his clothing and escaped. Jealousy is the  
only motive announced by the police to ac-

count for the murder. Mrs. Wilson has a  
brother, John Marks, living 246 East  
Chase street, Baltimore. The Stern wom-

an will recover from the effects of her  
wound.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Dec. 1.—In  
the terrible west gale on Lake Superior  
Saturday night the steamer Charles Hebard  
was driven on the rocky shore at Point  
Malmaise, and was soon dashed to pieces  
by the seas. Her crew, consisting of thir-

teen men and a woman cook, have not been  
heard from, and it is feared all have per-

ished. The schooner Aloha, one of the  
consorts which the Hebard had in tow,  
broke away from the steamer in Lake  
Superior and has not been heard from since.

When last sighted she was laboring heavily  
in the trough of the sea, and little hope  
is entertained for her safety. The  
schooners Warrington and Francomb, the  
other vessels of the tow, ran before the  
gale, after breaking away from the steam-

er, and finally succeeded in reaching an  
anchorage at Copper Mine Point. To-

night the tug General and Philadelphia  
were sent from this port to bring the two  
schooners here and to search for some trace  
of the steamer Osage, which arrived from  
Michipicatan. Mrs. MacArthur, wife of the  
captain of the Francomb, came down on  
the boat.

A list of the members of the crew of the  
Hebard, according to the last trip sheet,  
is as follows: George G. Ryan, captain,  
Detroit; William Schumaker, first engineer,  
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roit; T. P. Correll, first mate, Detroit; A.  
Jackson, second mate, Detroit; Charles  
Barton, wheelman, M. L. Clemens, C. East-

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man, Detroit; Ned Fay, watchman; Wil-

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## DRIVEN ON THE ROCKS

STEAMER GEORGE HERBARD DASHED

TO PIECES IN A STORM.

One of Her Consorts, the Schooner  
Aloha, Also Supposed to Have  
Been Lost in Lake Superior.

TWENTY LIVES POSSIBLY LOST

THIRTEEN MEN AND A WOMAN COOK

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